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Man Found Guilty of 1988 Pasadena Murder

A 55-year-old man was found guilty today of the murder of a jewelry salesman at a Pasadena gas station almost three decades ago, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Deputy District Attorney Ryan Erlich said Albert Ahmad Clark aka Al Clark was found guilty of one count of first-degree murder with an allegation that he personally used a handgun in the commission of the crime.

Clark is scheduled to be sentenced on Jan. 10, 2018 in Department H of the Los Angeles County Superior Court, Pasadena Branch. The defendant faces 32 years to life in state prison.

On Feb. 27, 1988, victim Leroy Galloway was selling jewelry out of his van parked at a gas station on Lake Avenue and Orange Grove Boulevard, the prosecutor said. According to evidence presented at the trial, Clark killed Galloway by shooting him multiple times.

The defendant was arrested and charged with the murder in 1988 but in 1989 the case was dismissed due to a lack of sufficient evidence and the limitations on forensic science at the time.

In 2013, an extensive examination of the case file by Pasadena Police Homicide Detectives identified items of evidence that were suitable for modern forensic analysis.

Case GA097658 was investigated by the Pasadena Police Department.

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